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Mr. Robert John, General Mine Manager
Chevron Mining Inc., Questa Mine
P.O. Box 469
Questa, NM 87555

Re: Administrative Order; Docket Number: CWA-06-2017-1708
NPDES Permit No. NM0022306

Dear Mr. John:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (AO) issued to Chevron Mining Inc. for violations of the Clean Water Act (CWA) (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.). The violations alleged were identified during a file review of Chevron Mining's Questa Mine. The violations alleged are for unauthorized discharges.

This AO does not assess a monetary penalty; however, it does require compliance with applicable federal regulations. The first compliance deadline is December 2, 2016. The Environmental Protection Agency is committed to ensuring compliance with the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program, and my staff will assist you in any way possible. Please reference AO Docket Number CWA-06-2017-1708 and NPDES Permit No. NM0022306 on your response.

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony M. Loston of my staff, at (214) 665-3109.

Sincerely,

Stacey B. Dwyer, P.E.
Acting Director
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U.S. EPA, Region 6

Enclosure

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Chevron Mining, Inc.

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